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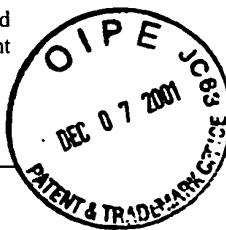
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Serial No. 09/921,045)
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the obligation under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.99, Applicant hereby submits references A1-A8 listed on the attached form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed herewith.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement does not constitute an admission that the information cited herein is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.56(b). Further, Applicant reserves the

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of these documents and make them of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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REFERENCE DESIGNATION U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	A1	5,474,796	12/12/95	Brennan		05/27/93
	A2	5,968,740	10/19/99	Fodor et al.		03/05/97
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	A8	6,284,460	09/04/01	Fodor et al.		06/17/97

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